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**CITY COUNCIL APPROVES MEASURE TO REMOVE EXAM FEE FOR CHICAGO POLICE  
DEPARTMENT AND CHICAGO FIRE DEPARTMENT APPLICATIONS**

*Fee removal breaks down potential financial barriers in application process*

City Council today approved a measure introduced by Mayor Rahm Emanuel to make the application process for Chicago Police Department (CPD) and Chicago Fire Department (CFD) accessible to more candidates by removing a financial hurdle.

"Individuals who want to bravely serve our city should not be deterred by an unnecessary exam fee," said Mayor Emanuel. "This ordinance represents another step in an ongoing effort to break down barriers to encourage more people to pursue a career in public service – regardless of their socioeconomic status."

As a result of the ordinance, applicants to both CPD and CFD will no longer be required to pay the \$30 exam fee.

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